

REMARKS

Claims 50 - 57 and 60 are pending herein. The claims previously were found to be patentable. Claims 50, 55, 56, and 60 are now rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable under U.S. Patent No. 5,687,717 to Halpern, et al. in light of U.S. Patent No. 5,619,397 to Honda, et al. Halpern was described as showing a movable chassis 12, a substantially horizontal tray (the top surface of the chassis 12), a docking station 20, and a power unit 16. Honda was described as teaching a tiltible docking station.

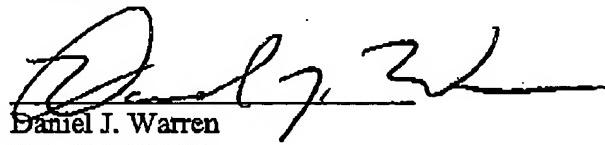
The Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection. A rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) must establish that the cited references teach each and every claim limitation. MPEP § 2143.03. In this case, Halpern does not teach a horizontal tray as is called for in independent Claim 50. Rather, Halpern merely teaches the chassis 12 – not a chassis and a tray. Unless one of the references show a tray as is called for in the claim, a *prima facie* case of obviousness has not been established.

The Applicant further notes that it does not appear that the top of the chassis 12 would even function as a workspace given its configuration and the position of the computer 22. The Applicant thus asserts that independent Claim 50, and the dependent claims thereon, are patentable over the cited art.

CONCLUSION

The Applicant respectfully requests the re-allowance of all claims. Any questions may be directed to the undersigned at 404.853.8028.

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